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Rice Report

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Report Highlights:

Egyptian rice exports slowdown as the government's export subsidy program comes to an end and rough rice prices increase.

Includes PSD changes: Yes

Includes Trade Matrix: Yes

Unscheduled Report

Cairo [EG1], EG

PSD Table						
Country:	Egypt					
Commodity:	Rice, Milled					
		2000		2001		2002
	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New
Market Year Begin		01/2000		01/2001		01/2002
Area Harvested	600	655	588	563	0	600
Beginning Stocks	452	899	1031	1304	0	1209
Milled Production	3500	3965	3422	3575	0	3801
Rough Production	5147	6100	5265	5500	0	5849
Milling Rate(.9999)	6800	6500	6500	6500	0	6500
TOTAL Imports	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jan-Dec Imports	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jan-Dec Import U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL SUPPLY	3952	4864	4453	4879	0	5010
TOTAL Exports	450	560	650	670	0	700
Jan-Dec Exports	450	560	650	670	0	700
TOTAL Dom. Consumption	2471	3000	3100	3000	0	3100
Ending Stocks	1031	1304	703	1209	0	1210

PS&D estimates for 2001 have been revised to reflect new information about actual export data for the last three months of 2001, which was recently released by the Central Agency for Public Mobilization & Statistics (CAPMAS). We revised total exports downward from 750,000 MT to 670,000 MT. We, also revised ending stocks upward from 1.1 MMT to 1.2 MMT.

There are two reasons behind the slowdown in rice exports during the last three months of the CY 2001. First, the government of Egypt ended its rice export subsidy program Sept. 2001 (see EG 1033) for additional information regarding this program. Second, rough rice prices at the wholesale level increased substantially during the first three quarters of the year due to strong export demand. During the beginning of the export season (Oct 2000) rough rice prices averaged between LE 500 to LE 550/MT. Rough rice prices jumped to LE 700/MT by Nov.2001 and further increased to LE 900-LE 950/MT by the end of 2001.

Export Trade Matrix			
Country:		Units:	000MT
Commodity:			
Time period:			
Exports for	2000		2001
U.S.		U.S.	
Others		Others	
Syria	130,850	Syria	138,398
Turkey	105,447	Turkey	92,664
Libya	71,076	Romania	58,169
Romania	65,973	Libya	50,040
Sudan	22,961	Sudan	26,441
Jordan	22,413	Ukraine	18,912
Ukraine	18,839	Senegal	15,695
Tanzania	18,363	Cote D'Ivoir	14,662
Senegal	15,095	Sirialion	10,000
Lebanon	13,558	Ghana	10,000
Total for Others	484575		434981
Others not listed	75,425		235,019
Grand Total	560000		670000